December 10, 1999

Mr. Phil Cogan
Director, Office of External Relations
U.S. Chemical Safety & Hazard Investigation Board
2175 K Street, NW
Suite 400
Washington, DC 20037

Dear Mr. Cogan:

Following the December 9, 1999, public meeting held by the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board, the National Association of Chemical Distributors requests that the following statement be considered for public record:

STATEMENT FOR THE RECORD

The National Association of Chemical Distributors (NACD) supports the mission and goals of the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB). We have the highest confidence in each Board Member and the CSB staff in carrying out the objectives of the Board and urge a quick resolution to this internal debate on its governance.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bill Allmond

Manager of Government Affairs

William F. allumoli

cc: Paul L. Hill, Jr., Ph.D., Chairman and CEO, CSB Gerald V. Poje, Ph.D., Board Member, CSB Isadore Rosenthal, Ph.D., Board Member, CSB Andrea Kidd Taylor, Ph.D., Board Member, CSB

